## CLAIMS

1. A label printer comprising:

an editing unit that expands data edited by a computer and stored in a data storage medium into substantially the same format as that displayed on a display of the computer; and

a printing unit that prints the data on a label according to a format expanded by the computer or format expanded by the editing unit.

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- 2. The label printer according to claim 1, wherein the format substantially the same as that displayed on the display of the computer comprises bit map data.
- 3. The label printer according to claim 2, wherein the format substantially the same as that displayed on the display of the computer further comprises a bit map font.
- 4. The label printer according to claim 1, wherein the data stored in the data storage medium comprises image data; and the image data are expanded into bit map data by the editing unit.
- 5. The label printer according to claim 4, wherein the data stored in the data storage medium further comprises text data; and

the text data are expanded into a bit map font by the editing unit.

6. The label printer according to claim 1,

when the computer is connected to the label printer, the printing unit executes printing according to the format expanded in the computer, and

when the computer is not connected to the label printer, the printing unit executes printing according to the format expanded by the editing unit.

7. The label printer according to claim 1, further comprising a operation unit that rewriting the data stored in the data storage medium.

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- 8. The label printer according to claim 7, wherein an object including at least one of a text, bar code and date is edited by an operation of the operation unit.
- 9. The label printer according to claim 1, further comprising a clock function, wherein the printing unit executes printing on the label with an addition of the data when printing is executed.
- 25 10. The label printer according to claim 1, wherein the label is pasted on a roll paper and housed in the label printer.

11. A label printer, comprising:

a first editing application that expands data into substantially the same format as that displayed on a display of a computer and prints the expanded data on a label even when the computer is not connected to the label printer,

when the computer is connected to the label printer, the data is expanded into substantially the same format as that displayed on the display of the computer and the expanded data is printed on the label by using a second editing application in the computer,

when the computer is not connected to the label printer, the data is expanded into substantially the same format as that displayed on the display of the computer and the expanded data is printed on the label by using the first editing application in the computer.

12. The label printer according to claim 11, wherein the first editing application comprises a rewriting unit.

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13. The label printer according to claim 11, further comprising a clock unit, when first editing application is employed in order to expand the data into substantially the same format as that displayed on the display of the computer and print the expanded data on the label, a date when printing is executed is printed on the label.